

Arizona Department of Education Academic Support Division

Supplemental Education Services Provider Overview

Background/Purpose

According to the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB)*, for any school that fails to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) by the end of the first full school year after identification for improvement, the LEA shall make supplemental education services available. (Note: LEAs are not required to provide or pay for transportation.)

Any school that fails to make AYP by the end of the second full school year after identification shall continue to provide supplemental education services to children who remain in the school.

If, after one full school year of corrective action a school fails to meet AYP, the LEA shall continue to make supplemental educational services available to children who remain in the school.

The Arizona Department of Education will issue a list of approved Supplemental Educational Service Providers to the public.

What Are Supplemental Educational Services?

Supplemental Educational Services means tutoring and/or other supplemental academic enrichment services that are

- in addition to instruction provided during the school day; and
- are of high quality, researched-based, and specifically designed to increase the academic achievement of eligible children on assessments and attain proficiency in meeting the Arizona Academic Standards.

Who Are The Eligible Students?

Eligible students are children from low-income families as determined by the LEA for the purpose of allocating funds to schools under section 1113(c)(1).

What Is A Provider?

Provider means a non-profit entity, a for-profit entity, or an LEA that

- has a demonstrated record of effectiveness in increasing student academic achievement;
- is capable of providing supplemental educational services that are consistent with the instruction of the LEA and the State Standards; and
- is financially sound.

What Entities Are Eligible To Apply?

Entities eligible to apply to provide supplemental services may include, but are not limited to:

- Community agencies
- LEAs (school districts, charter schools)
- Private schools
- Individuals
- Child care centers
- Libraries
- Community colleges/universities
- Private companies
- Distance learning services*
- County school offices
- Faith-based organizations

*Distance learning services that rely on the Internet/email, will have additional assurances to which they must agree.

A Provider will:

- provide parents with information on the progress of their children;
- ensure that instruction and content used are consistent with the LEA and aligned with the Arizona Academic Standards;
- provide a written summative report on the progress of all students served between the months of July 1 through June 30 of the current year. This report is to be submitted to the LEA with a copy sent to ADE by August 31st. Please send to

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- meet all applicable federal, State, and local health, safety, and civil rights laws;
- ensure that all instruction and content are secular, neutral, and non-ideological;
- ensure all employees who will interact with students will have undergone background checks with the Arizona Department of Public Safety, have been fingerprinted and are approved to work with children pursuant to ADE teacher certification procedures (<http://www.ade.az.gov/certification/fingerprint.asp>); and
- enter into an agreement with the LEA that includes:
 - ✓ A statement of specific achievement goals for the student based upon the child's specific educational needs;
 - ✓ A description of how the student's progress will be measured;
 - ✓ A timetable for improving achievement that, in the case of a student with disabilities, is consistent with the student's individualized education program (IEP);
 - ✓ A description of how the student's parents and teacher(s) will be regularly informed of the student's progress;
 - ✓ A provision for the termination of the agreement if the provider is unable to meet goals and timetables;

- ✓ Provisions with respect to the making of payments to the provider by the LEA; and
- ✓ An assurance from the provider that prohibits them from disclosing to the public the identity of any student eligible for, or receiving, supplemental services without the written permission of the student's parents;